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Governor Kelly Announces Over \$2.6M to Address Violent Crime

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly announced on Thursday that Kansas has been awarded over \$2.6 million in funding through the Federal Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) grant program. This funding supports innovative strategies and programs designed to reduce violent crime, target risk factors likely to lead to violence, and provide behavioral health crises intervention services.

The SCIP-funded projects are directed by the SCIP Advisory Board. This seven-member board includes representatives from the courts, prosecutors, law enforcement officers, legal professionals, behavioral health providers, victim service providers, and members of the community.

The board approved funding for the following projects that align with the purpose of the SCIP grant:

- Gun safety training programs;
- Mobile technology for law enforcement officers to connect with behavioral health crisis co-responders;
- Response protocols such as behavioral health providers responding with officers;
- Creation of and support for a multi-disciplinary high-risk team and implementation of domestic violence lethality assessment; and
- Community violence intervention strategies utilizing a public health model.

Additionally, the Board approved funding for the evaluation of these projects to measure their effectiveness in reducing violent crime in Kansas.

A total of \$2,631,323 was awarded to eight agencies.

Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program		
County	Organization Name	Grant Award
Labette	City of Parsons	\$506,380
Marshall	Marysville Police Department	\$32,216
Montgomery	Coffeyville Police Department	\$75,984
Sedgwick	City of Wichita Police Department	\$367,525
Shawnee	Kansas Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence	\$343,458
Shawnee	YWCA of Northeast Kansas	\$568,340
Wyandotte	Unified Gov't. of Wyandotte Co./Kansas City, KS – District Attorney's Office	\$687,420
Statewide	Ad Astra Community Innovations Group	\$50,000
	TOTAL	\$2,631,323

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